REMARKS

The claims have been amended to correct informalities, to better define the claimed invention and to better distinguish the claimed invention over the prior art, as well as to address the 112 rejections. In particular, claim 11 has been cancelled and its features have been incorporated into independent claim 1. Similarly claim 23 has been cancelled and its features have been incorporated into each of independent claims 12 and 20. Moreover, it is respectfully submitted that the claims, as amended, overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. No new matter has been entered.

The indicated allowability over the art of claims 8, 9 and 11 is noted, with thanks. Accordingly, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the features of allowable claim 11, which has been cancelled. Additionally, each of independent claims 12 and 20 has been amended to incorporate the features of allowable claim 23, which has been cancelled. Cancelled claim 23 recited the identical features as cancelled claim 11, except directed to a data transmission line instead of a data transmitter.

In view of the foregoing claim amendments, no specific discussion of the applied art is believed necessary.

Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, the Application is believed to be in order for allowance. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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